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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

SUBJECT: Military Accessions Vital to National Interest Program Changes

The Military Accessions Vital to National Interest pilot program is currently set to expire on September 30, 2014. This memorandum extends the Military Accessions Vital to National Interest pilot program through the end of Fiscal Year 2016, and expands the categories of individuals who are eligible to be considered for enlistment under the Military Accessions Vital to National Interest program.

In addition to the categories of individuals specified as eligible in the Military Accessions Vital to National Interest program memorandum dated May 16, 2012, individuals who have been granted deferred action by the Department of Homeland Security pursuant to the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process are now also eligible for consideration. All other eligibility criteria remain in force. The Military Departments shall review and ensure that all program guidelines have been implemented and are in effect before commencing Military Accessions Vital to National Interest recruiting programs for Fiscal Year 2015.

If a Military Service desires an increase to its previously approved maximum number of accessions under this program, a written request should be submitted to the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

  
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